

February 21, 2017

Via E-mail

Ms. Renee Byas Houston Forensic Science Center 1301 Fannin, Suite 170 Houston, Texas 77002

RE: FSC Disclosure 17.02 – Houston Forensic Science Center (Latent Prints)

Dear Ms. Byas:

At its February 10, 2017 meeting, the Commission reviewed the disclosure referenced above and determined the following:

Based on the documentary information provided by the laboratory, including the root cause analysis, corrective action plan, case review and other steps taken by the laboratory to ensure the integrity and reliability of the laboratory's latent print work, the Commission decided no further action beyond the action plan described in the materials provided is necessary at this time. If the laboratory identifies any material changes to the information provided at the meeting regarding this disclosure, please notify the Commission as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Commission's office.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Leigh M. Savage Leigh M. Savage

Associate General Counsel

cc: Dr. Peter Stout, Houston Forensic Science Center CEO and President